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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN, CG

SUBJECT: GOZ AUGUST BUDGET DATA

REF: KINSHASA 7627

1. WE HAVE RECEIVED THROUGH UNOFFICIAL SOURCE DATA FOR  
GOZ'S AUGUST BUDGETARY PERFORMANCE. AUGUST DATA PLUS  
CUMULATIVE TOTAL FOR FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF 1975, ALL  
EXPRESSED IN MILLIONS OF ZAIRES FOLLOW:

	AUGUST 1975	JAN-AUG 1975
RECEIPTS	25.1	317.6
(OF WHICH)		
CUSTOMS	14.2	
TAXES	10.3	
ADMINISTRATIVE	.6	
RECEIPTS		
EXPENDITURES	46.8	391.5

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DEFICIT        21.7        73.9

2. MOST STRIKING FEATURE OF AUGUST BUDGETARY PERFORMANCE IS SHARP INCREASE IN THE DEFICIT. THE AUGUST DEFICIT OF 21.7 WAS ALMOST HALF OF THE TOTAL DEFICIT OF 52.7 FOR THE PREVIOUS SEVEN MONTHS. AS EXPENDITURES WERE ROUGHLY COMPARABLE TO THE MONTHLY AVERAGE OF THE PRECEDING SEVEN MONTHS, THE INCREASED AUGUST DEFICIT WAS DUE TO SHARPLY LOWER RECEIPTS, PRIMARILY FOR CUSTOMS BUT ALSO FOR TAXES.

3. CUSTOMS TAXES INCLUDE BOTH IMPORT AND EXPORT TAXES. WE HAVE NO BREAKDOWN BETWEEN THE TWO BUT THE DECLINE IS DUE ALMOST ENTIRELY TO LOWER IMPORT TAXES AS WE HAVE BEEN RELIABLY INFORMED THAT RECEIPTS FROM COPPER EXPORT TAXES, THE MOST SIGNIFICANT COMPONENT OF EXPORT TAXES, HAVE BEEN AND ARE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE TO BE ALMOST THE SAME FOR EACH MONTH IN 1975. THE REDUCED IMPORT TAXES WERE NOT UNEXPECTED AND ARE DUE TO GOVERNMENT AUSTERITY MEASURES AND TO THE FACT THAT EXPORTERS ARE REFUSING TO SHIP TO ZAIRE IN THE ABSENCE OF CONFIRMED LETTERS OF CREDIT. IN FACT, IMPORT TAXES WOULD HAVE DECLINED EVEN EARLIER HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR THE LARGE BACKLOG ENROUTE TO KINSHASA. WALKER

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